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Sir:

This is in response to the Supplemental Notice of Allowability dated July 6, 2004.

The issue and publication fees were timely paid on April 6, 2004 in response to the January 12, 2004 Notice of Allowance. However, a Supplemental Notice of Allowability dated July 6, 2004 has just been received.

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In a review of the July 6, 2004 Supplemental Notice of Allowability, it has been found to be almost identical to the originally issued January 12, 2004 Notice of Allowability, except that the Supplemental Notice of Allowability indicates that "None" of the certified copies of the priority document has been received, while the Notice of Allowability attached to the January 12, 2004 Notice of Allowance clearly states that "All" Certified Copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 10/053,160.

The assertion that "None" of the certified copies of the priority documents has been received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is incorrect. A copy of the return postcard acknowledging receipt of the priority document by the Mail Room of the USPIO is Also, attached is a copy of the letter to the USPTO transmitting one certified copy of the priority document. the priority document was undeniably received by the USPTC, the USPTO is urgently requested to issue a formal acknowledgment of receipt of same.

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In view of the above, no further action on our part is needed, and the above-identified application should proceed to issuance with the claim to priority.

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